

MAR 29 2002**Special 510(k) Summary for the Design Modification to the
Reflex™ Anterior Cervical Plate System Screws**K020650
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Proprietary Name:	Reflex™ Anterior Cervical Plate System
Common Name:	Anterior Cervical Plate System
Classification Name and Reference	Spinal Invertebral Body Fixation Orthosis 21 CFR §888.3060
Regulatory Class:	Class II
Device Product Code:	87 KWQ
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Predicate Device Identification

The Reflex™ ACP System consists of bone plates and screws. Both components are available in a variety of lengths in order to accommodate patient physiology. The components are fabricated from titanium alloy as described in ASTM F-136, ISO 5832-3 and ASTM F-1813. The implants will be provided non-sterile.

Device Description

The design modification involves changes to the cutting flute, thread design, and color of the 14 mm length screw. In addition, several longer length screws have been added to the system.

Intended Use:

The Reflex™ Anterior Cervical Plate (ACP) System is intended for anterior intervertebral screw fixation of the cervical spine at levels C2-T1. The system is indicated for temporary stabilization of the anterior spine during the development of cervical spine fusions in patients with the following indications: Degenerative Disc Disease (as defined by neck pain of discogenic origin with degeneration of the disc confirmed by history and radiographic studies), trauma (including fractures), tumors, deformities or curvatures (including kyphosis, lordosis or scoliosis), pseudoarthrosis, failed previous fusion and decompression of the spinal cord following total or partial cervical vertebrectomy.

WARNING: This device is not approved for screw attachment to the posterior elements (pedicles) of the cervical, thoracic, or lumbar spine.

Statement of Technological Comparison:

Equivalency of this device is based on similarities in intended use, materials, and design to the predicate device. Testing has been conducted demonstrating substantial equivalence to the predicate device.



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Re: K020650

Trade Name: Reflex™ Anterior Cervical Plate System
Regulatory Number: 21 CFR 888.3060
Regulation Name: Spinal Intervertebral Body Fixation Orthosis
Regulatory Class: II
Product Code: KWQ
Dated: February 27, 2002
Received: February 28, 2002

Dear Ms. Ariemma:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) notification of intent to market the device referenced above and we have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments, or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act). You may, therefore, market the device, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration.

If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (Premarket Approval), it may be subject to such additional controls. Existing major regulations affecting your device can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 800 to 895.

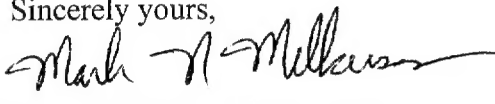
A substantially equivalent determination assumes compliance with the current Good Manufacturing Practice requirement, as set forth in the Quality System Regulation (QS) for Medical Devices: General regulation (21 CFR Part 820) and that, through periodic (QS) inspections, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will verify such assumptions. Failure to comply with the GMP regulation may result in regulatory action. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register. Please note: this response to your premarket notification submission does not affect any obligation you might have under sections 531 through 542 of the Act for devices under the Electronic Product Radiation Control provisions, or other Federal laws or regulations.

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This letter will allow you to begin marketing your device as described in your 510(k) premarket notification. The FDA finding of substantial equivalence of your device to a legally marketed predicate device results in a classification for your device and thus, permits your device to proceed to the market.

If you desire specific advice for your device on our labeling regulation (21 CFR Part 801 and additionally 809.10 for in vitro diagnostic devices), please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4659. Additionally, for questions on the promotion and advertising of your device, please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4639. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21 CFR 807.97). Other general information on your responsibilities under the Act may be obtained from the Division of Small Manufacturers Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or at (301) 443-6597, or at its Internet address "<http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/dsmamain.html>".

Sincerely yours,

for 

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Office of Device Evaluation
Center for Devices and
Radiological Health

Enclosure

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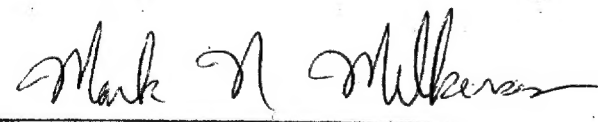
Prescription Use _____

OR

Over-The-Counter Use _____

(Per 21 CFR 801.109)

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